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JUDGE UMBEL SOUNDS CALL FOR LARGER COURT HOUSE.

Outlines Pressing Need of County for Larger Quarters; More Offices May Be Created Soon.

CONTROLLER AFTER CENSUS.

Together With Division in Offices of Prothonotary and Register and Recorder—Some Officers Have No Place to Work at Present.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 12.—The call for a larger court house was sounded by Judge Umbel this morning in an address to the Grand Jury. Judge Umbel called attention to the fact that the present court house is entirely too small to meet all needs, while after the 1910 census the county may have attained sufficient population to require the election of a controller and other officers.

Although not insisting upon any action at this time, Judge Umbel asked that the Grand Jury give the matter consideration. He declared that the property on which the County House is now situated is far more valuable than originally estimated and can be sold for a figure which will cover the cost of a new house, a workhouse and the proposed improvements to the court house.

At present, he explained, there is no room for the Orphans' Court; nor are there offices for the county auditors or jury commissioners. The offices of the Sheriff, County Commissioners, Prothonotary and Register and Recorder are far too small for comfort. There are not enough jury rooms and the present rooms are uncomfortable.

After the 1910 census Fayette county may be advanced to a higher class and if such is the case a county controller will be elected. He will need an office. Then, too, there will be a register of wills in addition to the recorder and clerk of the Orphans' Court. There will also be a Prothonotary and a Clerk of the Quarter Sessions and Oyer and Terminer Courts, making two or three men where one now does the work. The law library is crowded.

Judge Umbel urged that this matter be given consideration and sound the note of warning that there is a crying demand for more commodious quarters.

ALLEGANY COUNTY WANTS THAT MULE.

Maryland Democrats Claim It Shown Greatest Gain in Bryan Vote This Time.

United Press Telegram.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Dec. 12.—"William Jennings Bryan, Lincoln, Neb. 'Rush me that mule, we win, and I need it in my business." (Signed) FRANK A. PERDUE."

The above message sent today by Perdew, an ardent Bryan man, lawyer and political chief of this county, intended to have Democracy's chief keep his promise he made as a joke during the last campaign. Following the episode at Fairview, where the tickle mule was presented to Bryan and bumped Major J. J. Dickinson into an alfalfa patch, the Democratic candidate declared he would present the mule to the county which showed the greatest percentage of gain for the Democratic ticket.

Since the election Perdew kept tab on the returns and today declared his county a winner, showing a gain of 22 1/2 per cent. for Bryan.

Passengers Go Down.

ODESSA, Dec. 12.—A Turkish steamer from Constantinople went down today during a storm on the Black Sea and all the crew and 50 passengers were lost.

Rev. Palmquist to Talk on "If Christ Came to Connellsville."

Rev. E. A. E. Palmquist, pastor of the First Baptist Church will on Sunday evening endeavor to tell how things would be "if Christ came to Connellsville." As there is a good deal of speculation on the part of the public as to what would happen it is likely that his sensational sermon will attract a large crowd to the church. In announcing his subject Rev. Palmquist states a little on the subject by saying that it is a pertinent question for any community and one that every citizen is interested in.

"No doubt there would be a sudden about face," says the minister, "in a good many quarters. If he were to come it might be the churches would become centers of evangelistic fervor. It might be that the homes would be giving some time to the religious de-

NOT FOR CORTLEYOU.

Daniel Made That He Is to Become Head of United Trust Co.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Despite a rumor widely credited in financial circles that Secretary of the Treasury Cortleyou is to become President of the United Trust Company when he retires from the Cabinet, a vigorous denial was made at noon today by J. T. Woodward, Chairman of the Committee of Trustees, who said: "There is not a word of truth in the report that Cortleyou has been invited to become our President."

PROMOTIONS COMING ON PENNSYLVANIA.

Andrew Kelsor Formerly Superintendent of the Southwest Branch Is on the List.

R. L. O'Donnell, General Superintendent of the Buffalo & Allegheny division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, with headquarters in Buffalo, is to be promoted to General Superintendent of the Western Pennsylvania division to succeed S. C. Long, who is to be given a higher position, according to reports circulated yesterday.

R. T. Morrow, Superintendent of the Pittsburgh division, will be made general superintendent of the Buffalo & Allegheny division to succeed Mr. O'Donnell, it is said, and Andrew Kelsor, Superintendent of the Conemaugh division, will also figure in the promotions. Another local division superintendent to be promoted, according to the report, is P. A. Dombrowski of the Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania system. General Superintendent Long is considered one of the best operating men on the Pennsylvania system and there is a great deal of speculation as to what position he will occupy when the shift is made.

RINEHART SURE OF BEING FREED.

Confident Verdict Will Be of Acquittal in County and Federal Trials.

United Press Telegram.

WAYNESBURG, Pa., Dec. 12.—"In reviewing the trial and testimony offered, I am of opinion that the jury will without hesitation render a verdict which will acquit me. After that I will get ready for the Federal trial where I expect to justify my official actions and reports so as to win an acquittal there also."

This statement was made today by J. B. Rinehart of the Farmers and Grocers National Bank, on trial for forgery. Lawyers are now arguing the case which is expected to go to the jury late today.

Must Pay Alimony.

George Glendinning of Everson, was ordered to file a bond to guarantee the payment of \$3.50 per week to his wife, Mary B. Glendinning. The court stated that if Mrs. Glendinning would return to live with her husband and he supported her properly, the money would not have to be paid, but the order would stand nevertheless for future contingencies.

To Settle Bank Affairs.

Officers of the defunct Allegheny National Bank authorized the announcement last night that in all probability the settlement of the wrecked bank's affairs through the intervention of a Chicago "realization concern" will be accomplished within three or four weeks.

RUNAWAY HORSE CHANGED HIS MIND.

Harry Rittenhouse Thinks He's Going to Get in Water Line When He Lunges—Boy Is Injured.

SCOTSDALE, Dec. 12.—Harry Rittenhouse, the 14 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Rittenhouse of near the White school house, was the victim of a serious accident, while out horseback riding on Thursday, near his home. The horse took fright at something and was getting over into the soft covering over the water line at the side of the road.

The boy feared that the horse was going to fall, and got himself so that he would not be caught when it went down. Instead of falling it lunged off, (resembling a leap, throwing him off, when he had his elbow broken. The break is a serious one as it is at the joint and will be difficult of knitting so that the elbow will work properly.

ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Hiram Trump of Connellsville Township Prosecuted by Girl.

Charged with a serious offense upon Velle Bert, aged 14, Tax Collector Hiram Trump of Connellsville township was given a hearing before Justice of the Peace S. S. Koon at South Connellsville yesterday afternoon. The testimony of the Commonwealth was heard at the end of which Attorney D. W. McDonald, representing the defendant, requested a continuance until next Friday afternoon when it will be decided whether Trump will offer any evidence.

But two witnesses were examined yesterday, they being Velle Bert and her mother, Mrs. Lucy Firestone. The testimony was conflicting at times and it is possible the defense may offer no evidence, on the grounds that the charges against the Tax Collector were not sustained.

According to the story of the prosecution, Trump seduced her in Sussex Park on February 6 last, and committed a criminal assault. The girl said nothing about the matter to her mother and even after her condition became apparent, persistently refused to incriminate anyone. A child was born November 5 and when Justice Koon and Constable J. P. Grossland went to the home she told them that Hiram Trump was responsible for her misfortune. Information was then made against the Tax Collector and the hearing held yesterday.

Although no linking of the Trump defense was attempted yesterday it is understood that efforts will be made to prove an attempt at blackmail. The sale of two horses for taxes by Trump some time ago is said to be the cause of the action. Miss Bert's story at the hearing yesterday was peculiar and, at times, conflicting. Whether this was because the story was a manufactured one, or the limited education of the girl prevented her from being more concise in her statements, is not known. Friends of Trump refuse to believe him guilty of the charge and maintain that he is the victim of a plot to injure his reputation in the community.

DROVE FAMILY OUT IN THEIR NIGHT CLOTHES.

John Smith Had the House to Himself When the Officers Arrived This Morning.

Officers Anderson and Bowman found the Smith family shivering in the rain and scantily clad at an early hour this morning when they responded to a call to Dutch Bottom. John Smith, who is said to be subject to fits and kindred ailments, had ejected the rest of the family from the house and was holding the fort against all onslaughts until the officers arrived. Then they took John out and let the rest of the family retire.

Smith told Turnkey McDonald this morning that he had asthma, heart trouble and several other ills, but denied that he drove the others from his house. He said they probably became frightened at his actions and went out of their own accord.

Burgess Solvason was sick this morning and did not hold police court. Smith will be heard at a later hour. His sister and other relatives will appear against him, it is said.

Some weeks ago Smith was arrested for brandishing an axo at Christian Richter when the latter had his violin. The prisoner subsequently was taken seriously ill while in the police station and was discharged.

Bryan Satisfied

Col. William Jennings Bryan has notified the Uniontown committee that he is satisfied with the arrangements for the dollar banquet.

GRAND JURY IS STILL AT WORK; OTHERS LET OFF.

Dunbar Boy Convicted on Serious Charge and Friend Gets into Trouble.

ADMITTED MUCH ON STAND.

Was Quickly Prosecuted and Sentenced to Pay Light Fine Snyder-town Case Causes No Little Amusement Because of Mountain Vernacular.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 12.—Although the Grand Jury is still at work and may not complete its labors until late this evening, the other jurors were discharged this morning by Judge Van Swearingen, who thanked them for their work during the past week.

The most important case tried this morning before Judge Van Swearingen was that of Wilson Foltz of Dunbar, son of D. Foltz, who was convicted of improper relations with Jennie Jones, aged 17, of Connellsville. The defense attempted to prove the bad character of the prosecutrix and summoned several witnesses. One of these was Howell McFarland, also of Dunbar. Although sworn by the District Attorney that he need not commit himself, McFarland went just too far in his testimony and owned up to improper relations with the girl. He was immediately indicted and was sentenced to pay a \$10 fine and costs.

Benjamin Terr was a witness but was guarded in his testimony concerning the girl in the case. He escaped safely. In spite of this testimony Foltz was convicted as the girl accused him of being the father of her child. Foltz's attorneys will move for a new trial.

The action of Walter Rhoades of Snyderstown against Frank and Martin Poes, Frank Zacharias, Sherman Hoke and Charlie Rich, brought out plenty of mountain vernacular in the testimony and there was much amusement over it. Rhoades declared he was his own "hind end of his head" over the boys in question while escorting two young ladies home from church. The jury was directed to acquit Hoke and Rich and place the costs on Rhoades, while in the action against the other three lads Judge Van Swearingen declared that only Frank Poes could be guilty, if the jury decided upon a conviction.

Paul Stillvanto was convicted for "Black Hand" work on Arnold City foreigners in spite of his protestations of innocence.

Court Notes.

The jury returned a verdict convicting Mike Tuenah of voluntary manslaughter for the killing of Jesse Reynolds at Whitest, in September. The Commonwealth asked second degree murder but after deliberating an hour and a half the jury determined upon the above verdict.

D. B. Shepler will get another trial for an alleged criminal assault upon Julia Szemanski, aged 12. The jury deliberated over his case from noon until 8 o'clock yesterday but could not agree. The count stood 11 for conviction to one for acquittal.

The case against Charles Phillips, charged with a serious offense upon Ruth A. Hughes, 10 years old, of Fairchance, was continued until the March term of court.

Frank Johnson, Harry Wares and James Howell were tried on a charge of the larceny of \$15 from John Henry Johnson, while Johnson in turn was charged by Wares with assault and battery. The three negroes were acquitted and Johnson was convicted. He was sentenced to pay the costs.

Robert Smith, a negro, was convicted of a charge of carrying concealed weapons. John Veroy, of Brownfield, made the charge in behalf of his sister, who said that Smith threatened her with the weapon. Judge Van Swearingen increased the usual sentence for this offense and sent Smith to the workhouse for one year and added a fine of \$75 and costs.

William Noble was convicted of carrying concealed weapons, assault and pointing firearms.

Isaac and Eliza Treasler of Shewart township were acquitted yesterday of the charge of stealing a couple of logging skids from John W. Little. The jury divided the costs.

Frank Hoch was sentenced to pay \$3 per week for the support of a child. Ahar Samman was acquitted of a charge of embezzlement preferred by Sally Escher. The jury dividing the costs.

William Rowe, pleaded no defense to a misdemeanor charge. An indictment charging Jacob Swann, Frank Swanney and Mrs. Frank Swanney with larceny by bailie was quashed by Judge Umbel yesterday, the charge having been made by Mrs. Jacob Swanney.

AUTO NEARLY WENT UP IN DAWSON BLAZE.

Fumes Ignited From a Stove and Chaffeur Had Difficulty Saving Building and Machine.

DAWSON, Dec. 12.—A small fire in the garage of N. A. Rist caused some excitement yesterday afternoon. His Chaffeur Jack Stokle was working and cleaning around the auto when a can of gasoline ignited from a stove it is said it was 10 to 12 feet away from the fire, but it ignited from the fumes. The fire spread over the floor and caught the machine. The presence of mind of the chaffeur saved the auto from being destroyed, as at once turned off the gas, and with a few buckets of water soon had the fire under control. But little damage was done to the machine. His hands were badly burned. He hurried to the office of Dr. H. J. Bell where he had them attended to.

TO PAY ALIMONY.

Court Directs Dr. J. R. Goodwin to Pay His Wife and Daughter \$35 Per Month.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 12.—A divorce case with many sensational features was tried this afternoon in a hearing before Judge Van Swearingen to determine the amount of alimony to which Mrs. Anna Goodwin is entitled from her husband, Dr. J. R. Goodwin, the respondent in the case.

Owing to the prominence of the Goodwin family in Southern Fayette county, the case is attracting much attention. Dr. Goodwin is the son of the late Benjamin F. Goodwin, one of the wealthiest farmers in that section at the time of his death, less than two years ago.

Dr. Goodwin married the libellant in this case while a medical student in Philadelphia. The marriage took place in 1893 and a daughter was born. He deserted soon after the marriage and did not live with his wife until some years later, when she went to Gettysburg, Pa., where he was located. He kept his wife and daughter at a hotel and visited them about once every two weeks. Mrs. Goodwin said she heard he was trying to secure a divorce from her then. She also extracted a ring from his pocket which bore the inscription "J. R. to N. P." and says "N. P." stands for Nellie Page. She instituted divorce proceedings in 1902, which have been pending since.

Dr. Goodwin took the stand in court this afternoon and declared that owing to ill health his practice has dwindled to \$800 or \$900 a year. He looked healthy when he appeared in court. He is now living in Nicholson township. While admitting that his share of his father's estate will be large, he said he could not get this until after his mother's death. The doctor claimed that by agreement the wife was to return to her original home in Ireland and not adopt his name, but this, he claimed, she never did.

After hearing the evidence the court ruled that Dr. Goodwin pay his wife \$35 a month.

ELECT OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING.

Connellsville Machine and Car Company Make Good Showing During the Year.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Connellsville Machine & Car Company was held in the office of the Company, No. 311 Water Street Monday evening, and the following Directors were elected: James McGrath, Charles Davidson, W. E. Crow, W. P. Seisson, J. W. Ralston, D. L. P. McCormick and Charles F. Hood.

Last evening the directors met at the same place and organized by electing the following officers for the year: James McGrath, President; Charles Davidson, Vice President; and J. W. Ralston, Secretary and Treasurer. The annual statement submitted at the meeting showed that notwithstanding the dull times, a very good business had been conducted during the year and the stockholders expressed themselves as being well satisfied with the showing.

The Committee Is Home.

B. F. Wagon, R. D. North and John Duggan, the Chamber of Commerce Committee that went to Washington to present data before the Rivers and Harbors Congress, returned home this morning. While in Washington the committee was plied about by Congressman A. P. Cooper upon their work. The object of the trip was to interest the body in endorsing the movement for slackwatering the Youghiogheny river.

SOUTH CONNELLVILLE PLANS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Rousing Meeting Held Last Night To Organize Efficient Company of Volunteers in That Town.

PATRICK MCBRYDE DEAD.

Well Known Man Connected With Coal Industry Dies of Pneumonia.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 12.—(Special)—Patrick McBryde, Secretary of the Pittsburg Vela Coal Operators Association of Ohio, and Second National Secretary elected to the Mine Workers' organization, and one of the most prominent men in the industry of the Middle West, died here early today, after a short illness. His death was due to pneumonia.

ACTRESS WITH THIEF FELL FROM TRAIN.

Mrs. Hilbert Bell Has Narrow Escape From Being Seriously Injured This Morning.

"The Thief," which will be given at the Solis Theatre this afternoon and tonight narrowly escaped going on the boards minus its leading lady Mrs. Hilbert Bell, who takes that important part in the production, attempted to get off the Mountain Accommodation at the Halloway & Ohio depot here while the train was still in motion. She was thrown heavily and sustained painful injuries. Aside from these, however, Mrs. Bell is unharmed and was able to play her usual part at this afternoon's matinee.

The company came in from Cumberland on the Mountain Accommodation this morning. As the train stopped in Water street just before reaching the depot, the company began to alight. All got off safely save Mrs. Bell. Just as she was about to descend the train started to pull into the spur at the depot.

Believing it was going off without giving her an opportunity to alight, Mrs. Bell essayed to leave the train on the fly. Like all other comely women, she made the drop backwards and was tumbled over on the brick paving. Bystanders rushed to her assistance and were relieved to find her not seriously hurt. She was immediately taken to her hotel and regained her composure after resting a short time.

"The Thief" comes to Connellsville highly recommended from other towns where it has been seen. The play is an exceptionally strong one and Charles Frohman, the producer, has supplied a good company. The scenery and costumes are especially good. There was a large advance sale for both performances.

FISH DIE FROM SULPHUR WATER.

Banks of the Youghiogheny River Below Mount Creek Covered With Them.

Large quantities of fish are said to be strewn along the river banks just below the Soda shops and those of that neighborhood declare the waters have been poisoned and this causes the fish to die.

It is believed that sulphur water has caused the death of these fish as they are found below the mouth of Mount creek, which is contaminated with sulphur. As yet the matter has not been investigated by any of the game warden but action will likely be taken in the near future.

Burns Funeral Today.

Requiem High Mass was celebrated this morning at 9 o'clock at the Sacred Heart Church at Dawson over the remains of the late John Francis Burns of Nelbo works. Interment at Dawson.

Believe Body of Another Was Buried for That of Young Makin.

SCOTSDALE, Dec. 12.—Question arose yesterday whether the body buried in St. John's Cemetery here, several days ago, as that of Alfred Makin, a well known young man of Everson, one of the victims of the Marianna mine disaster, is really that of Makin, or whether some other poor fellow's body rests beneath the sod. The body was positively identified at the time by Makin's brother, Patrick Makin, a fire boss at Castle Shannon, after a sleepless vigil of several days, although it is said the body buried as that of Makin was the second one brought from the mine. The body was brought to Connellsville and then here to his old home for burial. Yesterday afternoon a man who gave his name as H. Ben-

NEVER HAD FIRE PROTECTION.

Officers Were Placed in Nomination and Election Will Take Place Next Monday—Big Fund Has Already Been Subscribed.

South Connellsville is to have a volunteer fire department. For the first time efforts towards securing adequate fire protection have met with apparent success. At a rousing meeting in the office of W. S. Ringer last night \$180 was subscribed of which sum \$130 has already been paid in. An efficient fire fighting body will be organized, a step which has been urged for many years past, but which has, up to the present time, been neglected. At the meeting last night practically every representative citizen of the place was on hand and all are taking a great interest in the movement.

All who desire to enlist in the company are supposed to report at Monday's meeting which will be held at 4 o'clock in W. S. Ringer's office. Efforts are being made to form as large a company as possible.

At the meeting last night officers were nominated and will be voted upon at the next meeting. The nominations are as follows:

President: George Hartman, William Sisley, J. F. Wymer and Joseph Sommerville.

Secretary: Leslie A. Brown, Dr. W. J. Churchill and James Twombly.

Treasurer: W. S. Ringer.

Board of Directors (12 to elect): James P. Bangard, Eber Addis, John L. Sisley, M. P. Corvin, John Shaw, B. F. Smith, R. G. Brown, Isaac Ringer, Rev. W. E. Bassett, W. W. Trevitt, C. C. Collins, Ben Jaynes, William Belan, Peter Flynn and W. R. Shupe.

REV. PROUDFIT CALLED AS PASTOR.

Presbyterian Congregation At Largely Attended Meeting Was Unanimously For Him.

At a largely attended congregational meeting of the First Presbyterian Church held last evening in the church an unanimous call was extended Rev. John L. Proudfit, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church at New Bethlehem, Pa. Since the illness and death of the late pastor Rev. W. A. Ellis, the congregation has been without a regular minister. Each Sunday a minister was sent by the Presbytery to fill the pulpit. Rev. Proudfit preached a trial sermon here several Sundays ago and is the selection of the congregation. Rev. Proudfit is one of the most widely known ministers in the Presbytery and he will accept the call as pastor of the local church.

BECOMES AN ACTOR.

Frank Miller Joins the Act-A-Logue Company.

Frank Miller, Jr., son of Justice of the Peace Frank Miller, this morning joined the Act-A-Logue Company which is now showing at the Bijou. Frank will have an important part in the program and his previous experience along this line will stand him in good stead.

This company will be at the Bijou next week and after that Miller will travel with it.

The Weather.

Partly cloudy tonight; Sunday rain in afternoon and warmer, is the noon weather bulletin.

MINISTERS' BANQUET.

Business Session Follows
Repast and Officers Are
Elected for the Year.

The annual banquet of the Ministers' Association was held last evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. E. A. E. Palmquist on Will's Road, with the following ministers and their wives present: Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Watson, Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Burgess, Dr. and Mrs. David Jones, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Funk, Rev. and Mrs. E. A. E. Palmquist and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chase. Had was the color scheme used in carrying out the attractive table decorations.

The menu was as follows: Fruit cocktails, cream of tomato soup, oyster croquettes, turkey, Irish and sweet potatoes, vegetable salad, ice cream, fancy cakes, coffee and candy.

The annual business session followed the banquet. The officers elected were President, Rev. C. M. Watson; First Vice President, Rev. A. L. Funk; Secretary and Treasurer, Frank L. Chase. It was decided for the coming year to unite in two union services in the first week in January. The first service will be held in the Methodist Protestant Church and the second in the United Brethren Church. It was also decided to hold union evangelistic services in the near future. A committee composed of Rev. E. A. E. Palmquist, chairman, Rev. Dr. A. J. Ash and Frank L. Chase was appointed to take up the work.

In Social Circles.

A long table laden with all the delicacies of the season was arranged in the Sunday School room. The prevailing color scheme used in forming the artists' table decorations was red and black. In the center of the table was two large glass emblems partly enclosing a huge bouquet of the class flower, crimson carnations. Nestled among the flowers were several very small colored electric lights which gave a very pretty effect. The place cards were circular international emblem cards in red and white. A sentence beginning with the initials of each member was placed in the place card and in this manner the guests found their places at the table.

Lloyd G. Dryer, President of the class was toastmaster. The remainder of the program was as follows: Address, Stanley Ash; piano duo, Mrs. L. G. Dryer and Miss Sara McDuff; toast, "The J. O. C's," W. E. Compelling; vocal solo, Miss Margaret Mae Eckard; address, "What the J. O. C. Society May Do For the Church," Rev. A. J. Ash; recitations, Miss Benford, address, "Strongness of Life," G. H. Schuch; address, "The Organized Class," W. S. Rehanan; piano solo, Miss Mabel Heaton; class song, About 60 persons were present. The guests of the society were Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Ash and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Rehanan. The affair was well appointed in every detail and nothing was left undone by the leading side to have the affair the success that it was. The society is composed of members of Class No. 22 taught by Miss Anna McDuff.

Military Ball.
Invitations are out for a grand military ball to be held Thursday evening, December 11, in the new Armory. Company D, Tenth Regiment, N. G. P. The hours are from 8 until 2 o'clock. Music will be furnished by Kiefer's orchestra.

The following is the reception committee with the ladies as patronesses: Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Dick, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelly, Col. and Mrs. J. M. Reid, Maj. and Mrs. L. P. McCormick, Lieutenant and Mrs. E. S. McKee, Captain and Mrs. Harry Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Munson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Grey, Dr. and Mrs. T. B. Eckard, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Leche, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wright, Miss Mary Snyder, J. H. S. Stimmer.

J. O. C. Banquet.
As the result of a membership contest entered into sometime ago by the J. O. C. Society of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday School the winning class was royally banqueted last evening in the church by the defeated class. Captains were chosen and an eventful dinner was chosen from the menu by each captain. The one who chose red as color and the other black. The object of the contest was looking toward increasing membership of the class. Eleven members were admitted to the class as the result of the contest. The contest was based on points. The attendance counted one point and a new member counted two points. The blacks were the winners in the contest.

Christmas Bazaar.
The Ladies' Sewing Circle of the First Baptist Church will hold a Christmas bazaar Thursday afternoon and evening, December 17, at the home of Mrs. F. C. Rose on North Pittsburg street. Supper will be served from 5 o'clock until later in the evening. All kinds of fancy articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be on sale at various booths. The bazaar will open at 2 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

Church Wedding.
Miss Sylvia Harbaugh and Dr. Maurice Jackson, a prominent physician of Stauffer, will be united in marriage Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the United Evangelical Church at Stauffer.

A large number of invitations have been issued and guests will be present from Connelville, Scotland and Mt. Pleasant.
Entertainment at South Connelville.
The Senior and Junior Loyal Temperance Legions of South Connelville will hold an entertainment at the home of Mrs. Ida Seaman at South Connelville Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The parents of the children are urged to attend.

Afternoon Bridge Party.
Mrs. J. Donald Prater is entertaining at the first of a series of bridge parties this afternoon at her home on East Green street. The hours are from 2:30 until 5 o'clock.

Afternoon at Cards.
Mrs. G. C. Hyatt entertained the Friday Afternoon Card Club yesterday afternoon at her home on Patterson avenue. Refreshments were served at the close of the games.

Dance at Armory.
Company D, Tenth Regiment N. G. P., will hold a dance Friday evening, December 18, in the Armory. Dancing from 8:30 until midnight. Music will be furnished by Kiefer's orchestra.

Philosophy Society Meets.
Resolved: That the President of the United States should be given a life seat in the Senate. This was the subject of the debate yesterday afternoon at the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Philo Literary Society held in the Carnegie Free Library hall. The debaters were: Affirmative, Donald Fosselman and Harold McCartney; negative, Harry Ash and Clarence Port. The judges gave their decision in favor of the affirmative. The paper was read by Clara Slesley. Music was furnished by Steve Richko. The various classes were well represented and all the selections were well given.

Enjoyable Fancy Work Party.
Forty-five guests were present yesterday afternoon at a very enjoyable fancy work party given by Mrs. L. L. West at her home on East Fairview avenue. The hours were from 2:30 until 5 o'clock. The afternoon was spent in fancy work until about 4:30, when a prettily appointed luncheon was served.

Woman's Culture Club Will Meet.
The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Woman's Culture Club will be held Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Carnegie Free Library. The subject for study is "Florence." A large turnout is desired.

Japanese Tea.
The Girl's Mission Band of the First Presbyterian Church will hold a Japanese tea Tuesday evening, December 15, in the church chapel. The hours are from 5 until 9 o'clock. The young ladies are making extensive preparations for the event and a most enjoyable evening is looked forward to.

Protective Legion Meets.
The regular semi-monthly meeting of the National Protective Legion was held last evening in Munson's hall. The regular routine business was transacted and the meeting was one of interest. The sum of \$155 was paid to the relatives of the late Joseph Poler, whose death occurred about a week ago.

Knights of Pythias Meeting.
Members of the Knights of Pythias are requested to meet in the lodge rooms tomorrow at 10 o'clock to attend in a body the funeral of the late William Goodburn at Trotter.

Ladies' Aid Society Meets.
The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist Church was held last evening at the home of Mrs. W. J. Woodall on Murphy avenue. The regular routine business was transacted after which refreshments were served. Recitations by Miss Norma Woodall and Miss Carrie Sue Percy were well received. Mr. Woodall gave a very interesting talk on "Italian Missions."

TALK BASE BALL.

Congressman Tenser and Justice Moody Recognize Each Other.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—Mr. Tenser is an old friend of Justice Moody. In company with Secretary Williams of the Republican State Committee, he was standing in the corridor as the members of the Supreme Court were filing into the court room in the Capitol after lunch.

Justice Moody was attracted by Mr. Tenser's tall figure and recognizing the son of his old friend he seized his old friend by the hand.

The reassembling of the highest judicial tribunal in the United States was delayed for a few moments while the associate justice and the Congressman-elect recalled the days when they played ball together.

Mr. Moody was never in the professional game, but he recalled with glee an occasion when, after Mr. Tenser had become a professional of note, he secured his services to play with his home nine against that of a rival town, and saw with joy their defeat.

Mr. Tenser was a resident of Haverrhill, Me., the home of the associate justice, when she wedded the future Congressman.

Two Killed in Mine.
STREUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 12.—Elijah Hennis, 16, a machine miner, was drawn into a winding machine today and literally cut to ribbons, and Mike Kies was killed by a fall of slate in Glens Run No. 2 mine.

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Local and Personal Mention.
H. M. Kerr and J. L. Kurtz will leave this evening for St. Paul, N. C., to attend the annual business meeting of the St. Paul Chamber Company to be held next Thursday. The annual election of officers will take place. Mr. Kerr and Mrs.

Kurtz are members of the company.
Miss Lillian Goodman and Miss Julian Goodson were calling on friends in Uniontown last evening.

Funkha Smith is visiting friends and relatives in Pittsburg.
One hundred young ladies of the Immigrable Conception Church will be received into the society of the Rite of the Virgin Mary Sunday evening, 7:30 o'clock by Rev. Father J. T. Burns.

Mrs. John Reiter and daughter, Miss Blanche, of Conneaut are the guests of Miss Edna Smith of Dawson today.
Mrs. R. N. Jackson is the guest of relatives at West Newton.

African Apollo and Elizabeth Lewis of Vanderbilt were calling on friends here yesterday.

Irma Solson, little daughter of Mrs. Irma Solson, fell and broke her left arm Tuesday while roller skating at the Casino rink.

Mrs. Ira Leal will return this evening from a visit with friends in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Sarah D. Cochran and Miss Bevoe Rist of Dawson were in town this morning en route to Morgantown.

Mrs. M. O. Hall of Washington, D. C., returned home this morning after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Blaney, of Dunbar township.

Miss Helen Goldstein went to Pittsburgh this morning to visit her brother, Dr. Milton Goldstein.

A baby boy arrived this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lehr on Walnut street.

W. E. Rice and Rockwell Sullivan have arrived home from a business trip in the East.

Mrs. W. S. Schenck is visiting relatives in Johnstown.

Miss Isabelle Connolly of New Haven is the guest of friends in Greensburg.

Miss Della Cohen of New Haven is the guest of relatives in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. William McFarland and sister, Carrie Bixler, of Indian Creek, are the guests of Mrs. David McDiffett of New Haven today.

Resolutions of Respect.
Resolutions of Respect from Wm. F. Kurtz, Clerk, No. 100, for Mrs. Katherine Haisley.

Whereas: The all wise Father has removed by death our sister Mrs. Katherine Haisley, therefore be it resolved,

First, That we her sisters and friends, submit willingly to this will, knowing that it is done all things well.

Second, In her departure, Wm. F. Kurtz Circle has lost an earnest and zealous worker in all its enterprises. She was ever ready to sympathize and encourage in sorrow, and always thoughtful for the poor and sick.

Third, That we tender to the family our sincere sympathy and commend them to Him, who alone can give comfort in sorrow.

Fourth, That our charter be framed for thirty days, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, published in the daily papers, and entered upon our minutes.

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Sunday Services in the Churches.

TRINITY REFORMED CHURCH, corner Pittsburg and Green streets, Rev. Charles E. Wagner, pastor. Sunday school at 9:15 A. M. Following divine services at 11 A. M. Evening services at 7:30 o'clock. The pastor with his family expect to occupy the parsonage adjoining the church the forepart of the week. Installation services will be held on Thursday evening. Further particulars concerning these services later.

PAYNE'S A. M. E. CHURCH, NEW Haven, J. V. Jones, pastor. Preaching at 10:45 A. M. by the pastor, subject, "The King's Highway." Sunday school at 2:30 P. M. Preaching at 7:30 P. M. by Rev. O. L. Davis of Greensburg, Pa. Wednesday evening prayer meeting. All are invited to attend these services.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH, C. M. WATSON, pastor. The Sunday school meets at 9:15 A. M. and the Christian Endeavor Society at 4:30 P. M. For the morning service at 10:45 the subject is "The Conversion of Saul of Tarsus." For the evening service at 7:30 P. M. subject, "Strangers are cordially welcomed."

GERMAN LUTHERAN ST. JOHN'S Church, on Carnegie avenue. George Dietz, pastor. Services at 10:45 A. M. Subject of sermon taken from St. John's Gospel, "Repent Ye, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand." Sunday school at 9 o'clock. Church Council will meet at 11:30 A. M. Services at Morgan Station tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. Sunday school at 2 P. M. All are cordially invited.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, divine services will be held at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. conducted by the pastor, Rev. Ellis H. Burgess. Morning subject, "The Testimony of Jesus to John the Baptist." Evening subject, "The Substitution of Christ." Bible school will be held at 10 A. M. at which time the men of the school expect to organize their Bible study after the international plan. The Home Department visitors are requested to read in their completed lists for 1909 to the Superintendent of the Department.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—The Welcome Church at South Pittsburg street and Baldwin avenue. E. A. E. Palmquist, minister, residence in Willis Road, East Park. Office hours from 1:30 to 3:00 P. M. daily except Monday's. Services for Sunday, December 13, 1908. Bible school with classes for all at 9:15. Public worship at 11 A. M. The pastors there will be, Dr. Christ Forrester and Dr. The Home Department of the Sunday school will meet at 7 P. M. preaching service conducted by Mr. Woodall at 7:30 P. M. and evening worship at 7:30 P. M. The pastor's evening subject will be "The Cause of Christ in Connelville." The Connelville will be interested in this address. A cordial invitation is extended to the general public to be present at all the above services and to a wide awake Bible Club which meets on Wednesday evening at 7:45.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH, Preaching Saturday evening by J. S.

Polton at 7:10, followed by Quarterly Conference at 8:15. Sabbath morning Bible school at 9:15. Preaching at 11 o'clock. Sermon from "Life of Abraham." Junior at 12:30 P. M. S. P. 2 P. M. at 4:40 P. M. Preaching at 7:30 subject, "Christ in You the Hope of Glory." Reception of members at both services. A. L. Funk, pastor.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL Church, A. J. Ash, D. D. Pastor, 11 A. M., the Holy Communion 7:30 P. M. sermon by pastor and the Holy Communion: 8:15 A. M. Class meeting, 11:15 A. M. Sunday school, 12:30 P. M. at 4:45 P. M. and prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7:15 o'clock.

ST. JOHN'S IN THE WILDERNESS (Episcopal Church), Dunbar, Pa., Rev. Frederick Beckman, St. Peter's Church, Uniontown, in charge. Sunday at 2 P. M. Sunday School, 2 P. M., evening prayer and sermon.

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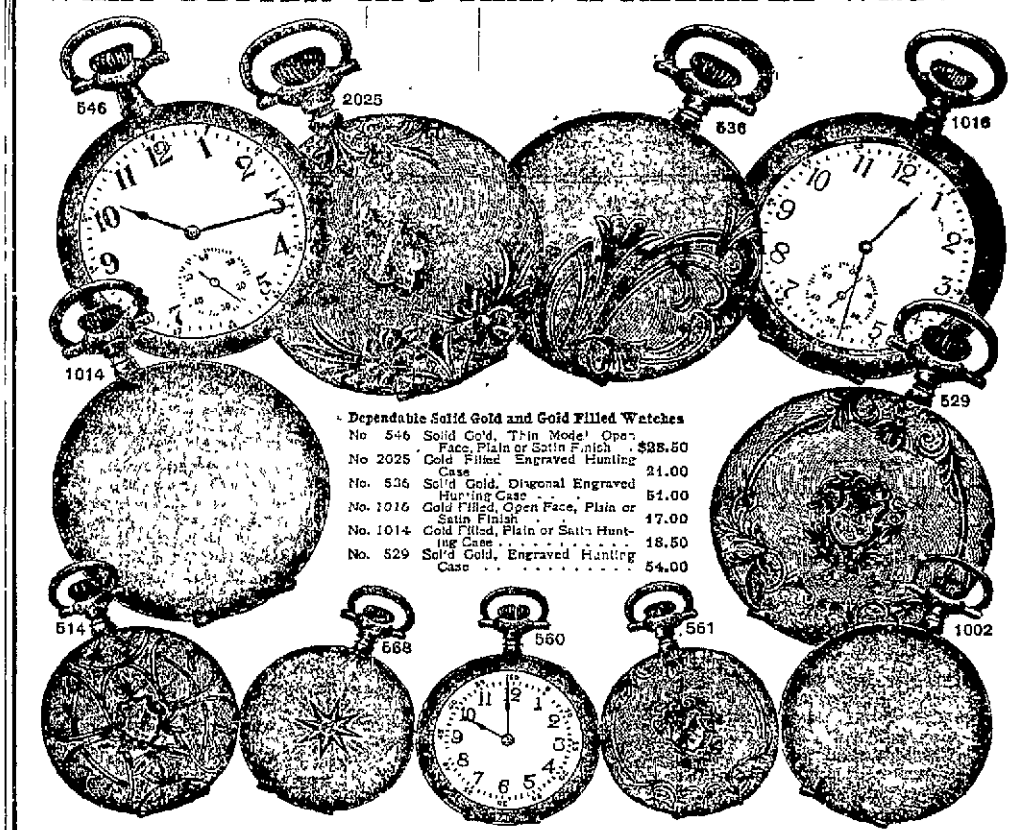
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PLAN TO REORGANIZE THE POSTAL SERVICE

Penrose Will Introduce Bill
to Put Department on
Business Basis.

COMMISSION FINDS DEFECTS.

Not Conducted According to a Business System and Would Be Bankrupt If It Did Not Have the United States Treasury Back of It.

Senator Penrose, as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Post Roads and Post Offices, will introduce a bill in the Senate shortly which in effect will remedy the evils of the postoffice system and provide for radical changes.

The bill, in brief, will suggest that the Postmaster General be made a distinct Cabinet officer with no important power over the postoffice system. It will provide that the head of the department shall be a director of posts, who shall be appointed for an indefinite term. The assistant postmasters are to be appointed and assistants to the director of posts named in their stead.

The bill will also decentralize the system. Instead of directing the department from Washington, there will be seven subdivisions with heads, who shall have exclusive power over their divisions. All business will be done with these heads, who will be responsible to the director of posts. At present envelopes, stamps and everything needed by the postoffice of the country must come from Washington, making their delivery slow and expensive. The division heads will look after this in their respective sections. This will lessen the expenses, as contractors will be ordered to send the supplies to the division headquarters.

This legislation will be recommended by the Commission, which for the last two years has been engaged in an investigation of the business methods of the Postoffice Department. The creation of the Commission was due largely to the efforts of Senator Penrose, Mr. Penrose, as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, had been brought into close relationship with the Postoffice Department and had become familiar with the administrative methods of that department.

The postal service constitutes the only large business operation in which the United States Government is engaged. It is entirely a cash business, involving an expenditure of over \$225,000,000 during this year. Soon after he became chairman of the Senate committee, Mr. Penrose was impressed by the fact that the stupendous expenditures of the postal service were destined to increase with the growth of the country and that there must be economy in these expenditures.

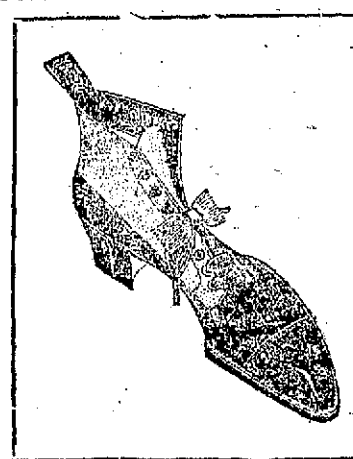
A personal investigation by the Senator disclosed many defects and inefficiencies in the system under which the vast business of the service was being conducted. He found that since the establishment of the Postoffice Department, more than 100 years ago, the postal service had been administered without being overhauled or investigated from the standpoint of expert business scrutiny. The result of his inquiries was legislation creating the commission and directing it to conduct an investigation with a view to the reorganization of the department's work along modern business lines.

The commission made some interesting discoveries. It found, for instance, that the books of the money order division, whose transactions last year aggregated nearly \$500,000,000, had never been balanced, and that they never can be balanced under the present money order system. Although there is published in the annual report of the auditor for the Postoffice Department, a statement of the assets and liabilities of the money order business there never has been any system of bookkeeping such as would permit of the correct preparation of this statement.

Owing to the delay in the receipt of postmasters' statements, the amount or receipts and disbursements, while correct from a bookkeeping point of view, is not correct from a financial point of view. In the balance sheet the item of unpaid domestic money orders never has been definitely ascertained since the inception of the money order service in 1856.

The investigation showed not only that the bookkeeping was bad, but that the department was doing almost twice as much bookkeeping as was necessary. There are 60,000 postoffices in this country. For each of these postoffices is a separate account, and also a separate account for 4,647 sub-stations, or in all 55,230 accounts. Expert accountants who assisted the commission in its investigations reported that more than 30,000 of these accounts were unnecessary. They are accounts of small postoffices who do no money order business, but are required to make the same character of detailed report as the larger offices. If the application of a non-accounting system were imposed the account of each of these offices could be eliminated.

The commission also was impressed by the Postoffice Department payroll, in addition to the hundreds of



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clerk and bookkeepers whose services ought not to be necessary, are many high-salaried officials, including four assistants to the Postmaster General, who are paid \$4,500 a year each. The commission is of the opinion that one man could do the work of these assistants and do it better than they are doing it. It believes that by the application of modern business methods a large number of officials and employees could be eliminated.

Its opinion of the department's business methods is indicated by the statement that "under such a system a large railroad, commercial, or industrial enterprise inevitably would go into bankruptcy, and the Postoffice Department has asserted that fact only because the United States Treasury has been available to meet deficiencies."

POOR DIRECTORS ARE NOW ON TRIAL.

Somerset County Men It Is
Alleged Have Failed to
Do Their Duty.

SOME FRIGHTFUL CONDITIONS.

That Have Prevailed at the County Home Were Recited And It Is Charged the Poor Directors Had Knowledge of How Inmates Were Cared For.

SOMERSET, Dec. 11.—The widely known case against the Poor Directors of Somerset county is now coming before the court's attention. After calling 21 jurymen a full panel was finally chosen. Each side examined each jurymen called and selected those related to the parties and those who seemed to have formed an opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the defendants.

In the afternoon J. A. Berkey, attorney for the Commonwealth, opened the case. He stated that the Directors of the Poor, William Brant, John Reiman and Aaron P. Swank, had neglected to perform the duties of their office as enjoined by law; that they had failed to properly provide for the maintenance and care of the indigent and insane persons placed in their charge; and that they had failed to perform their duties as provided in their oaths of office. He then stated that the food furnished the inmates

of the institution was inadvisable and cited the following six instances of neglect, which the Commonwealth will undertake to prove:

Ralph Sandgrass, an Italian, was received at the County Home on August 30, 1907. He was partially paralyzed. He was placed in the "White House," one of the buildings connected with the infirmary, and there, it is alleged, he lay in a filthy bed and room under the care of an incompetent nurse until finally his body became infected with gangrene. Mr. Berkey alleged that the officers and Poor Directors knew of his condition but allowed him to remain until he died on September 29, three weeks after he was admitted to the County Home.

The second instance cited by Mr. Berkey was that of Charles Smith, who was brought from Berlin in an unconscious condition, placed in the County Home where, as is alleged, he was allowed to remain for three or four days unconscious, with no attention and no food.

The third instance cited by Mr. Berkey was that of John Gibson, an insane inmate, who was committed in 1907. He became ill, a physician prescribed proper food but he was neglected by the persons in charge and received no food for three days.

The fourth matter mentioned by Mr. Berkey was the case of Charles Bent, who, as is alleged, was received at the County Home in 1907 suffering from cardiac asthma. He was placed in the "white house" and an insane patient named Frank Zimmerman was appointed as his nurse. By reason of inattention and incompetent nursing the death of the patient, it is alleged, was hastened.

The fifth instance mentioned in the opening was Thomas Driscoll who was placed in the County Home in 1907 suffering from frozen feet. It is alleged that he received no attention for several days and that before he received medical attention several of his toes sloughed off.

The concluding paragraph of the opening of the case was a statement that John Mowery, the steward, was wholly incompetent to fill the position, that he was a farmer or laborer and had had no experience in hospital work and was unfit to take charge of the 200 inmates of the institution, and that these matters were repeatedly called to the attention of the Poor Directors but they were not remedied. Mr. Berkey stated that the Commonwealth expected to be able to prove all the foregoing allegations.

Dr. Henry Wilson of Somerset, who was physician for the County Home, was the first witness called. He confirmed much of the matter alluded to by Mr. Berkey. Among the other witnesses who will be called by the prosecution will be several local physicians who were employed by the County Home, the steward, John Mowery,

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TRY OUR CLASSIFIED ADS.

HOUSE ADOPTS RESOLUTION.

Action Prompted by Portion
of President's Mes-
sage.

DESCRIBED AS "UNFORTUNATE"

Chief Executive's Reference to Secret
Service and Action of Congress with
Relation Thereto Said to Have Af-
fronted the Dignity of That Body.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The following
resolution, presented in the house of
representatives by Mr. Perkins (Rep.)
of New York, was adopted without de-
bate.

"Whereas there was contained in the
sundry civil appropriation bill which
passed congress at its last session and
became a law a provision in reference
to the employment of the secret ser-
vice in the treasury department, and

"Whereas in the message of the
president of the United States to the
two houses of congress it was stated
in reference to that provision: 'It is
not too much to say that this amend-
ment has been of benefit only, and
could be of benefit only, to the crimi-
nal classes'; and it was further stated
'the chief argument in favor of this
provision was that the congressmen
themselves did not wish to be investi-
gated by secret service men,' and it
was further stated, 'but if this is not
considered desirable a special excep-
tion could be made in the law prohib-
iting the use of the secret service
forces in investigating members of con-
gress. It would be far better to do
this than to do what actually was done
and strive to prevent or at least to
hamper effective action against crimi-
nals by the executive branch of the
government.' Now, be it resolved, that
a committee of five members of con-
gress of this house be appointed by the
speaker to consider the statement con-
tained in the message of the president
and report to the house what action, if
any, should be taken in reference
thereto."

Remarks of Mr. Perkins.

In submitting it he said:
"It is of importance to the republic
that all of the coordinate branches of
the government should possess in a
high degree the confidence and respect
of the people. I yield to no one in my
respect for the chief executive of the
United States and I yield to no one in
my respect for the congress of the
United States. To the congress is
granted great power and upon it are
imposed great responsibilities. We can-
not neglect our duties nor shirk our
responsibilities. The dignity of that
body should not be puniliciously in-
vested upon, but it should be properly
maintained. The statements made by
the president of the United States can-
not be lightly disregarded. They may
be so construed by the public as to in-
crease the dignity and thereby impair
the usefulness of the congress of the
United States. It can be justly said,
I think, that these expressions were un-
fortunate. Whether it is enough to say
this, or whether some more formal ac-
tion should be taken, it will be for con-
gress to exercise a wise and discreet
judgment to decide."

Represent a Great Nation.
"We are the representatives of thirty
millions of people. We are the in-
itiative body of a great nation. I am
sure there is no one who has the honor
to be a member of this congress who
will hesitate to approve such action as
may be required by a proper regard
for the dignity of the body to which we
belong and of the people whose repre-
sentatives we are."

While speaking Mr. Perkins was ac-
corded great attention by the entire
membership. Even the occupants of
the galleries, who usually keep up an
incessant din of conversation, main-
tained silence. At the conclusion of
his remarks he was universally ap-
plauded.

TO HARASS VENEZUELA

Dutch Warships Leave Curacao
Cleared For Action.

Willemstad, Curacao, Dec. 12.—The
Netherlands battleship Jacob van
Heemskerck and the cruiser Gold-
land have left here for Venezuelan
waters. They have been cleared for ac-
tion. It is believed that they will de-
monstrate off La Guaira. Furthermore,
they probably will begin selling Ven-
ezuelan merchant vessels, thus putting
a stop to the trade between Ven-
ezuelan ports.

A clash between the warships and
the coastal forts of Venezuela is li-
able to follow any radical action be-
cause the government at Caracas has
expressed its intention of firing on the
Dutch ships at the first "unfriendly
act."

Senator Mansbrough Vain III.
Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 12.—United
States Senator H. C. Mansbrough of
North Dakota, who has been ill in
Minneapolis, has had a decided turn
for the worse. He was removed to As-
bury hospital. His ailment is a disease
of the ear.

Famous Indian Chief Dead.
Pierre, S. D., Dec. 12.—Chief Hump,
the Sioux leader who was at the head
of the band which caused the trouble
ending in the battle of Wounded Knee,
the last important Indian fight in the
northwest, is dead at his camp at
Cherry creek.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE

Active Retail Business In Holiday
Goods Is Noted.

New York, Dec. 12.—Dun's Weekly
Review of Trade says today:

"Retail trade is active in holiday
goods and winter wearing apparel,
while wholesale and jobbing depart-
ments are sensibly quiet as to new
business, but there is a good move-
ment on old orders and manufacturing
operations are not curtailed. Inven-
tories are in progress and those com-
pleted indicate no excessive stocks.
Ample room in commerce has started
much idle machinery, while state-
ments of building permits continue to
show gratifying gains, although opera-
tions in the northwest are interrupted
by severe weather. Mercantile collec-
tions are more prompt. The steady
gain in production of pig iron is a most
encouraging indication of confidence in
the leading industry."

"Seasonably quiet conditions are re-
ported in the primary markets for cot-
ton goods, stocks being reduced as far
as possible before taking inventories,
but there is confidence in a normal re-
vival in January, unless raw material
becomes unsettled. Export trade re-
mains dull, conditions in China pre-
cluding any prospect of revival at pre-
sent, and foreign bids are below domes-
tic quotations."

JUDGE TAFT AT CHURCH JUBILEE.

Will Attend Dedication of McKinley
Memorial Organ Tomorrow in
the Metropolitan Temple.

New York, Dec. 12.—The Metropoli-
tan temple in this city will be the
scene of a great gathering of distin-
guished persons tomorrow evening, the
occasion being the dedication of the
McKinley memorial organ. Most promi-
nent among the speakers will be
President-elect William H. Taft, who
is a personal friend of the Rev. Dr.
John Wesley Hill, pastor of the tem-
ple. Dr. Hill offered the opening pray-
er at one of the sessions of the Repub-
lican national convention in Chicago.

The temple has planned a week's
jubilee, beginning tomorrow night and
lasting until the following Sunday.
Andrew Carnegie and Colonel John
James McCook of New York, member
of the famous "Fighting McCooks,"
will speak tomorrow night in addition
to Judge Taft. On Wednesday even-
ing Governor Hughes will deliver an
address, and on the evening of Sun-
day, Dec. 20, Vice President-elect Sher-
man will speak. On the morning of
Sunday, Dec. 20, Bishop Grossett and
the Rev. Dr. J. M. Buckley will be the
speakers.

The organ was installed through the
liberality of several men of wealth.
Mr. Carnegie among them, and the
subscriptions of the church people and
public to what is designated as a
worthy memorial to the late president
in a church of the denomination to
which he belonged.

"ADAM GOD" REPENTS

But Fifth Victim of His Fanaticism
Dies in Hospital.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 12.—"The
Lord was either not with us or was on
a vacation. Now, I know my faith was
wrong, that I was mistaken," said
James Sharp, better known as "Adam
God." It was Sharp who led his fol-
lowers into a battle with the police
which has already resulted in five
deaths. A. J. Selzer, age seventy-two,
a bystander, wounded by a stray bul-
let, is the last of the victims to die.

It is a peculiar and humble prophet
who sits today in his cell.
"Honestly, captain," he said to an
officer, "I believed that we were doing
right and that it was God's will. When
the bullets commenced to hit me then
I had a revelation. I am glad to be
back and want to stand for anything
God wills. Oh, it is terrible! terrible!"

"I had a nice farm in Oklahoma and
was doing well when I believed I was
called." "Now I have no money, my
children have left me and I have
been in prison."

"I'm up a stump, brother. But it was
all the fault of the faith. I saw it all
as soon as that bullet hit me. I expect
to be killed. I don't care how quickly
it comes. I only want time to write
a letter to my followers and tell them
that the faith was wrong."

PAT CROWE PREACHES

Man Who Kidnaped Eddie Cudaby
Makes Debut as Evangelist.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—Pat Crowe, whose
former lawless career came to a clin-
ic in the kidnaping of Eddie Cudaby,
made his debut as an evangelist before
an audience in Evanston.

The meeting was held under the aus-
pices of the W. C. T. U. Prison Re-
form league. Crowe knew eloquent in a
plea to citizens to aid in prison reform
and stop the manufacture of criminals
in reform schools and penitentiaries.
As he spoke a baby's voice in the rear
of the hall frequently interrupted him.
"That's my baby making that noise,"
Crowe exclaimed. "I hope I can live to
give it a good education and make a
good citizen."

Sausage Kills Two Persons.
West Chester, Pa., Dec. 12.—Two
members of the family of George Van
Horn of Mendenhall, Chester county,
are dead and three others are ill as the
result of prairie poisoning, caused
by sausage procured from a local
grocery.

Door Plant Burned.
St. Louis, Dec. 12.—Fire destroyed
the plant of the Lohse Patent Door
company, entailing a loss estimated at
\$100,000.

25 INSURGENTS HOLD MEETING.

Will Make Fight to Have
House Rules Re-
vised.

HEPBURN OF IOWA PRESIDES.

Their Aim is to Combine With Dem-
ocrats and Force Changes That Will
Curtail Powers of the Speaker.
Twenty-Seven Votes Needed.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The fight for
a revision of the rules of the house of
representatives was inaugurated at a
meeting of the so-called "insurgents,"
attended by twenty-five Republican rep-
resentatives. Representative Hepburn
of Iowa presided and was authorized
to name a committee of five, with him-
self as chairman, to draft the proposed
amendments to the rules and report to
the organization on Tuesday night.

The "insurgents" met in the inter-
state and foreign commerce committee
room and were engaged in consider-
ing the various suggestions for more
than two hours. Mr. Hepburn said that
the various plans proposed for chang-
ing the rules would be considered by
the committee which he will name. He
desired to make it known that all of
the members invited to the meeting,
with the exception of Representative
Norris of Nebraska, who is out of
town, were present.

Those interested in the movement
have been proceeding quietly with
their plans with the apparent purpose
of increasing their numbers sufficiently
to be able to control the situation by
joining the Democrats in a fight on the
rules. The "insurgents" claim that in
the present congress they need but
twenty-seven Republicans to join the
Democrats in order to bring about a
change in the rules, while in the Sixty-
first congress they say they will need
but twenty-four Republican members.
Three of the representatives present—
Hepburn, Pollard and Ellis—will not
be members of the next congress.

While several of those present at the
insurgent meeting are for Cannon for
speaker they made it plain that they
greatly desire a change in the rules.
"There were no expressions except
those of friendly feeling for the speak-
er," said Mr. Hepburn after the meet-
ing. "No one said anything against
Mr. Cannon." He said the general feel-
ing was that if, under the rules, the
house must have a despotic leader
there was no one they would rather
have than "Uncle Joe."

HOW EPIDEMIC STARTED

Chemists Inoculated Cattle Accident-
ally While Experimenting.

Pittsburg, Dec. 12.—The govern-
ment's efforts to trace the origin of
the present epidemic of apthous fe-
ver has been rewarded with success.
The desired information was imparted
to Secretary of Agriculture Wilson,
and the experimenting that has been
in progress for five or six weeks will
be discontinued.

The existence of the disease is owing
to the desire of a Detroit drug
firm to manufacture a supply of the
serum which is used in fighting apthous
fever and to the innocent in-
fecting of a large number of cattle
used in the experiment.

In a little while the cattle began act-
ing strangely. Then it was discovered
that the serum had been impure, or
that too much of it had been used and
that all the cattle inoculated had be-
come infected with the foot and mouth
disease. Efforts were made to gather in
all the borrowed beasts, but most of
them had been shipped. Within a short
time thereafter the disease broke out
in New York and Pennsylvania. Cattle
from the infected herd were shipped to
both these states. These facts are
vouched for by H. G. Morgan, ex-presi-
dent of the National Hay association.

Kills Himself as Land Appears.
San Francisco, Dec. 12.—Carl Her-
ster, a private in the hospital corps,
ended his life on the deck of the trans-
port Thomas by slashing his throat
with a razor as the Thomas neared the
Golden Gate. Herster had been stand-
ing on the deck watching the land
come into view, suddenly went to his
berth, returned with a razor and imme-
diately cut his throat.

Nice Job Offered Cortelyou.

New York, Dec. 12.—It is stated
here, though the statement is not offi-
cially confirmed, that the presidency of
the Union Trust company has been of-
fered to George B. Cortelyou, secretary
of the treasury. The Union is the
fourth largest trust company in the
city. John D. Rockefeller keeps his
personal account in it.

White's Image Perpetuated in Brass.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 12.—An im-
mense crowd gathered in the court-
house grounds here to witness the un-
veiling of a statue of the late Stephen
Mallory White former United States
senator from California. The statue is
of brass and stands upon a pedestal of
granite. It was erected through popu-
lar subscriptions aggregating \$25,000.

Window Glassworkers Prepare Scale.

Cleveland, Dec. 12.—A meeting of
the executive committee of the Na-
tional Window Glassworkers is being
held here to prepare their proposition
to the manufacturers for a 1909 wage
scale.

YOUNG CORBETT AGAIN

Will Meet Phil Brock in Ring In New
Orleans Tonight.

New Orleans, Dec. 12.—Whether it
is true that prize fighters after they
are once "down and out" never really
come back will be put to the test again
when Young Corbett, conqueror of
Terrible Terry McGovern and since
put to the ropes several times, meets
Phil Brock in a twelve-round battle
here tonight.

Corbett says he is as good as he ever
was. On his way here from New York
he shaved coal on the steamer in or-
der to get himself into shape. He has
taken on weight in the past three
years without gaining strength, and
ring followers here generally do not
think he can put away Brock, although
the latter is not rated high.

MESSIAH'S WORDS IN COURT OPINION.

Court Bases Decision of Injured Em-
ploye on Principle Found in
Scripture.

Washington, Dec. 12.—"How much,
then, is a man better than a sheep?"
The rebuke of Christ to the Pharisees
is cited in a rebuke to the Baltimore
and Ohio Railroad company in a deci-
sion by Justice Stafford of the district
supreme court, sustaining a demurrer
by F. E. Goldenstein, injured in the
service of the company, to the com-
pany's plea that he had bartered away
his right to damages by accepting re-
lief benefit.

The court rules that the railroad
cannot avoid its liability to an em-
ploye under the employer's liability act
by pleading that the employer's contract
before entering employment that he
was to receive only certain dam-
ages in the event of injury. As a rail-
road cannot secure immunity by a
clause in a bill of lading for livestock
so it cannot kill and maim employees
with immunity because it provides a
hospital, kept up chiefly by the men
whose lives are in its charge.

Contracts of indemnity insurance
and of relief benefits, according to the
court, are no defense to employers to
restrict their common-law liability.

POWERS CONFERRING ON NAVAL WAR CODE.

International Delegates Meeting in
London Will Discuss Many Im-
portant War Questions.

London, Dec. 12.—The conference of
the powers called by Great Britain to
frame a code of laws for naval war-
fare and for the formation of an inter-
national prize court, held its first busi-
ness session today at the foreign of-
fice.

The United States, Great Britain,
France, Germany, Italy, Austria-Hun-
gary, Russia, Spain, Holland and Ja-
pan are represented in the conference.
The American delegates are Rear Ad-
miral Charles H. Stockton and Profes-
sor George C. Patton Wilson of Brown
university. Commander John H. Gib-
bons, naval attaché at the London em-
bassy, acts as aid.

Questions of much interest and im-
portance to the maritime powers are on
the program of the conference. Among
these are the decision of what consti-
tutes contraband of war, the right of
search, the limitations of blockades,
etc.

Major G. M. Laughlin Dead.
Pittsburg, Dec. 12.—George M. Laugh-
lin, 51, age sixty-seven, one of Pitts-
burg's most prominent business men
and a veteran of the Civil war, is dead
at his home in Woodland road. Death
was due to pneumonia. He was presi-
dent of the Keystone National bank
of Pittsburg and a director of the
Jones & Laughlin Steel company and
of the Pittsburg Trust company.

Hangs Himself in the Cellar.
Erie, Pa., Dec. 12.—His fatal affect-
ed from brooding over a lawsuit. Ste-
phen Bartholomew, one of the best-
known residents of this city, hanged
himself in the cellar with the straps of
a pair of overalls.

DIRE DISTRESS.

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Backache is the kidney's cry for
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help Connellsville—not some big city.

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instance.

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The Mystery of The Yellow Room

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BY BRENTANO'S

The pavilion had a ground floor which was reached by a few steps, and above it was an attic, with which we need not concern ourselves. The rooms of the pavilion were as follows: "The yellow room, with its one window and its one door opening into the laboratory."

The laboratory, with its two large, barred windows and its door, one serving for the vestibule, the other for the yellow room.

The vestibule, with its unbarred window and door opening into the yard.

The lavatory, between the vestibule and the yellow room.

Besides these chambers there was a flight of stairs leading to the attic. The only chimney was the large one in the laboratory.

Before mounting the three steps leading up to the door of the pavilion, Rouletabille stopped and asked M. Darzac point blank:

"What was the motive for the crime?"

"Speaking for myself, monsieur, there can be no doubt on the matter," said M. Stangerson's fiancée, greatly distressed.

"The marks of the fingers, the deep scratches on the chest and throat of Mlle. Stangerson, show that the wretch who attacked her attempted to commit a frightful crime. The medical experts who examined these traces yesterday affirm that they were made by the same hand as that which left its red imprint on the wall—an enormous hand, monsieur, much too large to go into my gloves," he added, with an indelible smile.

"Could not that blood stained hand," I interrupted, "have been the hand of Mlle. Stangerson, who, in the moment of falling, had pressed it against the wall and, in slipping, enlarged the impression?"

"There was not a drop of blood on either of her hands when she was lifted up," replied M. Darzac.

"We are now sure," said I, "that it was Mlle. Stangerson who was attacked by Daddy Jacques' revolver, since she wounded the hand of the murderer. She was in fear, then, of somebody or something."

"Do you suspect anybody?"

"No," replied M. Darzac, looking at Rouletabille.

Rouletabille then said to me:

"You must know, my friend, that the inquiry is a little more advanced than M. de Marquet has chosen to tell us. He not only knows that Mlle. Stangerson defended herself with the revolver, but he knows what the weapon was that was used to attack her. M. Darzac tells me it was a mutton bone. Why is M. de Marquet surrounding this mutton bone with so much mystery? No doubt for the purpose of facilitating the inquiries of the agents of the police. He imagines perhaps that the owner of this instrument of crime, the most terrible invented, is going to be found among those who are well known in the salons of Paris who use it."

"Has a mutton bone been found in the yellow room?" I asked him.

"Yes, monsieur," said Robert Darzac, "at the foot of the bed, but I beg of you not to say anything about it." (I made a gesture of assent.) "It was an enormous mutton bone, the top of which, or, rather, the joint, was still red with the blood of the frightful wound. It was an old bone, which may, according to appearances, have served in other crimes. That's what M. de Marquet thinks, who has had it sent to the municipal laboratory at Paris to be analyzed. In fact, he thinks he has detected on it not only the blood of the last victim, but other stains of deified blood, evidences of previous crimes."

"A mutton bone is the hand of a skilled assassin is a frightful weapon," said Rouletabille, "a more certain weapon than a heavy hammer."

"The assassin had proved it to be so," said M. Robert Darzac, smiling.

"The joint of the bone found exactly fits the wound inflicted. My belief is that the wound would have been mortal if the murderer's blow had not been arrested in the net by Mlle. Stangerson's revolver. Wounded in the hand, he dropped the mutton bone and fled. Unfortunately the blow had been already given, and Mlle. Stangerson was stunned after having been nearly strangled. If she had succeeded in wounding the man with the first shot of the revolver, she would doubtless have escaped the blow with the bone. But she had certainly employed her revolver too late. The first shot devastated and lodged in the ceiling. It was the second only that took effect."

Having said this, M. Darzac knocked at the door of the pavilion. I must confess to feeling a strong impulsion to reach the spot where the crime had been committed. It was some time before the door was opened by a man whom I at once recognized as Daddy Jacques.

He appeared to be well over sixty years of age. He had a long white beard and white hair, on which he wore a flat basque cap. He was dressed in a complete suit of chestnut colored velvet, worn at the sides; his boots were on his feet. He had rather a waspish looking face, the expression of which lightened, however, as soon as he saw M. Darzac.

"Friends," said our guide. "Nobody in the pavilion, Daddy Jacques?"

"I ought not to allow anybody to enter, M. Robert, but of course the order

does not apply to you. These gentlemen of justice have seen everything there is to be seen, and made enough drawings and drawn up enough reports."

"Excuse me, M. Jacques, one question before anything else," said Rouletabille.

"What is it, young man? If I can answer it?"

"Did your mistress wear her hair in bands that evening? You know what I mean—over her forehead?"

"No, young man. My mistress never wore her hair in the way you suggest, neither on that day nor on any other."

"Then I had better drop the subject, so that her beautiful forehead could be seen, pure as that of an unborn child?"

Rouletabille granted and set to work examining the door, finding that it fastened itself automatically. He satisfied himself that it could never remain open and needed a key to open it. Then we entered the vestibule, a small, well lit room paved with square tiles.

"Ah, this is the window by which the murderer escaped!" said Rouletabille.

"So they keep on saying, monsieur; so they keep on saying. But if he had gone off that way we should have been sure to have seen him. We are not illud, neither M. Stangerson nor I nor the concierges who are in prison. Why have they not put me in prison, too, on account of my revolver?"

Rouletabille had already opened the window and was examining the shutters.

traces of a man's footmarks. Since they have been found near this window outside, he must have made his way through the ceiling of the yellow room into the attic, then cut his way through the roof and dropped to the ground outside the vestibule window. But there's no hole, neither in the ceiling of the yellow room nor in the floor of my attic, that's absolutely certain. So, you see, we know nothing—nothing. And nothing will ever be known! It's a mystery of the devil's own making."

Rouletabille went down upon his knees again almost in front of a small lavatory at the back of the vestibule. In that position he remained for about a minute.

"Well," I asked him when he got up.

"Oh, nothing very important. A drop of blood," he replied, turning toward Daddy Jacques as he spoke. "While you were washing the laboratory and this vestibule was the vestibule window open?" he asked.

"No, monsieur. It was closed. But after I had done washing the floor I lit some charcoal for monsieur in the laboratory furnace, and so I lit it with old newspapers it smoked, so I opened both the windows in the laboratory and this one to make a current of air. Then I shut those in the laboratory and left this one open when I went out. When I returned to the pavilion this window had been closed and monsieur and mademoiselle were already at work in the laboratory."

"M. or Mlle. Stangerson had no

He Gayly Admitted That the Joke Was on Himself.

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"I am a shipwrecked sailor," he told her. "Three days ago the ship I was on went ashore outside Sandy Hook. Ever since then I've been wandering around without being able to get a job."

The lady gave him a quarter and passed on. A week later while going by the same spot on Fifth avenue she was approached once more by the same negro.

"I am a shipwrecked sailor," he began. "Three days ago" he began.

"She let him finish. Then she remarked: "Two weeks ago when I gave you a quarter you told me that same story. Then you said that you had been wrecked three days before. Now you say the same thing."

And she looked at the negro severely. He threw back his head and burst forth into roars of laughter.

"Did-did I give you that story last week?" he chuckled. "Did you give me a quarter? Well, it ain't a joke on me!"

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paper which M. Darzac took from the hand of Rouletabille and read distinctly the only words that remained legible:

"Tresbytery—lost nothing—charm, nor the air—its brightness."

Twice since the morning these same meaningless words had struck me, and for the second time I saw that they produced on the Sorbonne professor the same paralyzing effect. M. Darzac's first anxiety showed itself when he turned his eyes in the direction of Daddy Jacques. But, occupied as he was at another window, he had seen nothing. Then, tremblingly opening his pocketbook, he put the piece of paper into it, sighing, "My God!"

During this time Rouletabille had mounted into the opening of the fire grate—but in so to say, he had got upon the bricks of a furnace—and was at tentively examining the chimney, which grew narrower toward the top, the outlet from it being closed with sheets of iron fastened into the brickwork, through which passed three small chimneys.

"Impossible to get out that way," he said, jumping back into the laboratory. "Besides, even if he had tried to do it, he would have brought all that iron-work down to the ground. No, no, it is not on that side we have to search."

Rouletabille next examined the furniture and opened the doors of the cabinets. Then he came to the window, through which, he declared, no one could possibly have passed. At the second window he found Daddy Jacques in contemplation.

"Well, Daddy Jacques," he said, "what are you looking at?"

"That policeman who is always going round and round the lake. Another of those fellows who think they can see better than anybody else!"

"You don't know Frederic Larsen, Daddy Jacques, as you wouldn't speak of him in that way," said Rouletabille in a melancholy tone. "If there is any one who will find the murderer it will be he." And Rouletabille heaved a deep sigh.

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CARDS IN CHURCH.

They Were Not Uncommon in the Old Days in England.

Frequent cases of card playing occurred in churches in olden days in the high or cultivated family pews that were to be found in several parts of England.

A case of card playing was mentioned by the poet Crabbe as having occurred in one of those pews in Trowbridge parish church. Mr. Beresford Hope stated that card playing was not uncommon in churches in olden days in the high or cultivated family pews that were to be found in several parts of England.

The church at Little Stanmore, in Middlesex, has a luxurious room pew which is approached by a special door.

The old St. Paul's cathedral near the great fire of London was used by business men as a sort of exchange.

The portico was left out to hucksters, and in those days gambling and cards were both said to have been indulged in without let or hindrance within the cathedral.—London Standard.

SELF OPENING DOOR.

Automatic Entrance Way That Has Been Installed in a Restaurant.

A well known Fifth avenue restaurant in New York has recently had installed an automatic door which is both novel and unique, and it is attracting much attention from the patrons of the place.

The contrivance consists of a wooden platform carrying a door. The platform is depressed by the weight of the person entering and admits him, while a series of levers are so disposed as to close the door when he has entered.

The speed of opening and closing is carefully regulated, and the person entering is safe from being struck by the door as it closes behind him.

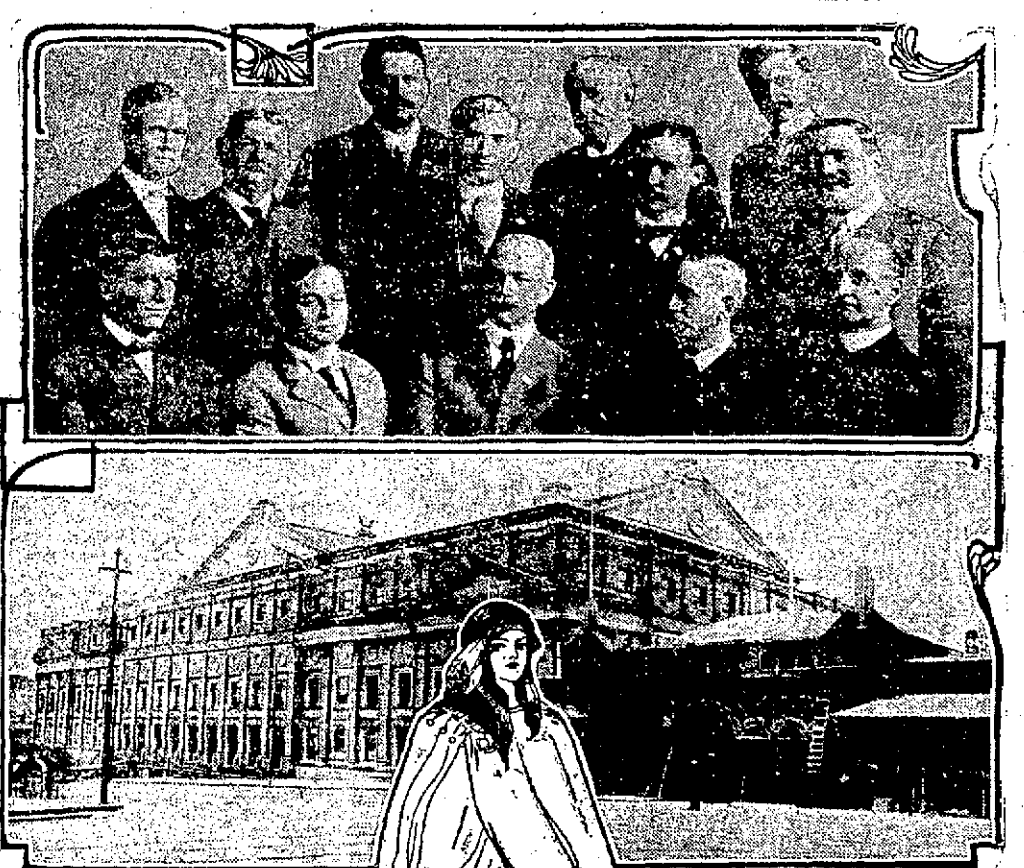
doors are not affected by wind pressure, and flaming is elevated by an oil dash pot.

An Enigma.

Tommy—Say, papa, I wish you would tell me something. Papa—Well, what is it? Tommy—When you were a little boy, who was my papa?—Chicago News.

MEN WHO MADE OMAHA CORN EXPOSITION A SUCCESS AND WHERE IT IS HELD

The International Corn Exposition being held in Omaha is one of the largest, agricultural undertakings ever brought to successful fruition in many years. All of the corn States are represented by interesting exhibits, and the United States Government has taken advantage of the opportunity to demonstrate many new ideas in farming and the uses of farm products. Chief among the Government exhibits is a complete plant for the manufacture of denatured alcohol. One thousand medals are offered as individual and State prizes, and there are many fine trophies in the form of silver cups for the best yield of corn per acre in the various States. The illustration shows the Omaha auditorium, where the show is being held and the committee which made it a success. The men in the group—from left to right, standing—are Bruce McCullough, E. Buckingham, F. L. Haller, T. P. Sturges, D. B. Fuller, Rome Miller, J. Wilkes Jones, Emil Brandeis; sitting—left to right—Victor E. Bender, C. C. Rosswater, G. W. Wauless, C. F. McGrew and Charles W. Martin.



Library Notes.

With paragraphs from reviews on some of the late books in the Carnegie Free Library are as follows: "Characteristics of the American people" one with the story-teller's audience, among them, "The Little Maid of Sweetheart's Travels." The author's purpose is to give the children to the printed book of his great original, and about which the reviewer says: "The book is a masterpiece of the art of writing for children." "The Book of the Week." "The best single work on the subject yet published in English. Mr. Gurnea's chapters are vivid with brilliant description, and his power to paint in words is shown on many pages." "Literary Digest." "Gilbert—Pittman Picture Book." "A better introduction to English wit and humor could possibly be devised than the study of the Pittman Picture Book." "Living Age, December 5, 1908." "The Book of the Week." "The Red City has all the tranquil charm which belongs by right to old letters and faded diaries. Its title is eminently fitting for Philadelphia is the true heroine of the tale. Never was there a more accurate portrait of town and country and never were town and country more affectionately described." "Artesian Review in the Outlook, November 24, 1908." "The Book of the Week." "The best single work on the subject yet published in English. Mr. Gurnea's chapters are vivid with brilliant description, and his power to paint in words is shown on many pages." "Literary Digest." "Gilbert—Pittman Picture Book." "A better introduction to English wit and humor could possibly be devised than the study of the Pittman Picture Book." "Living Age, December 5, 1908." "The Book of the Week." "The Red City has all the tranquil charm which belongs by right to old letters and faded diaries. Its title is eminently fitting for Philadelphia is the true heroine of the tale. Never was there a more accurate portrait of town and country and never were town and country more affectionately described." "Artesian Review in the Outlook, November 24, 1908."

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Scientific American—Brazilian nationalism; "Hins Gerns"—Most powerful lifting ship afloat; Hydraulic drive system.

Scientific American Supplement—A novel type of road motor; Electric sheets and tubes; An animal as an engineering structure; Twenty-watt fluorescent lamps; Humane slaughtering for abating.

Youth's Companion—How Washington is reported.

STRIKE MAY RESULT

West Virginia Miners and Operators Hold Fruitless Conference.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 12.—The joint convention of the local operators and the organized miners of the Kanawha field, failing to reach an agreement in regard to the request of the operators for a new wage scale that would put them on a competitive basis with employers of non-union miners, after two days of discussion, closed, leaving minor and operator further apart than ever.

Operators declare that the failure of the convention to settle the disputed point causes the two-year wage contract entered into last April to become void, while President Lewis of the miners holds that the contract is still in force and declares that the men expect to continue at work under its terms. Attempts to disregard the agreement, they say, will leave no other alternative than the calling of a strike.

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ROULETABILLE TOOK FROM THE CRUCIBLE AND HELD UP A PIECE OF HALF CONSUMED PAPER.

"Were these closed at the time of the crime?"

"And fastened with the iron catch beside," said Daddy Jacques, "and I am quite sure that the murderer did not get out that way."

"Are there any blood stains?"

"Yes—on the stones outside—but blood of what?"

"Ah," said Rouletabille, "there are footmarks visible on the path! The ground was very moist. I will look into that presently."

"Nonsense!" said Daddy Jacques. "The murderer did not go that way."

"Which way did he go, then?"

"How do I know?"

Rouletabille looked at everything, sniffed everything. He went down on his knees and rapidly examined every one of the paving tiles. Daddy Jacques went on:

"Ah, you can't find anything, monsieur. Nothing has been found. And now it is all dirty. Too many persons have tramped over it. They wouldn't let me wash it, but on the day of the crime I had washed the floor thoroughly, and if the murderer had crossed it with his hobnailed boots I should not have failed to see where he had been. He has left marks enough in mademoiselle's chamber."

Rouletabille rose.

"When was the last time you washed these tiles?" he asked, and he fixed on Daddy Jacques a most searching look.

"Why—as I told you on the day of the crime, toward half past five while mademoiselle and her father were taking a little walk before dinner here in this room. They dined in the laboratory. The next day the examining magistrate came and saw all the marks there were on the floor as plainly as if they had been made with ink on white paper. Well, neither in the laboratory nor in the vestibule, which were both as clean as a new pin, were there any

doubt shot it?"

"No doubt."

"You did not ask them?"

"No."

After a close scrutiny of the little laboratory and of the staircase leading up to the attic Rouletabille to whom he seemed no longer to exist entered the laboratory. I followed him. I was, I confess, in a state of great excitement. Robert Darzac lost none of my friend's movements. As for me, my eyes were drawn at once to the door of the yellow room. It was closed and, as I immediately saw, partially shattered and out of commission.

My friend, who went about his work methodically, silently studied the room in which we were. It was large and well lighted. Two big windows—almost bars—were protected by strong iron bars and looked out upon a wide extent of country.

The whole of one side of the laboratory was taken up with a large chimney, crucibles, ovens and such implements as are needed for chemical experiments; tables loaded with vials, papers, reports, an electrical machine and apparatus, as M. Darzac informed me, employed by Professor Stangerson to demonstrate the dissociation of matter under the action of solar light and other scientific implements.

Along the walls were cabinets, plain or glass-fronted, through which were visible microscopes, special photographic apparatus and a large quantity of crystals.

Rouletabille, who was foraging in the chimney, put his fingers into one of the crucibles. Suddenly he drew himself up and held up a piece of half consumed paper in his hand. He stopped up to where we were talking by one of the windows.

"Keep that for us, M. Darzac," he said.

I bent over the piece of scorched

Some Football Captains Chosen for 1909.

Robert College	Ralph P. Cummings	End
Robert College	Elmer T. Abbott	Center
Robert College	William F. Newman	Left Tackle
Robert College	Adrian E. Ruger	Right End
Robert College	Little Boy	Guard
Robert College	Charles M. Robb	Line
Robert College	Clark W. Tobin	Guard
Robert College	Frank Mount Pleasant	Quarter Back
Robert College	L. E. Lockwood	Left End
Robert College	Hamilton Fish, Jr.	Right Tackle
Robert College	A. A. Ditcher	Left Tackle
Robert College	Rudolph Shering	Full Back
Robert College	Ted Lennie	Right End
Robert College	Clarence H. Dietrick	Quarter Back
Robert College	Harmon O. Page	Right Tackle
Robert College	Raymond Green	Right Tackle
Robert College	Ed Pullen	Right Tackle
Robert College	Edward H. Coy	Full Back

THEATRICAL NEWS.



Helene Wilson in "The Thief" at Soisson Tonight.

"The Thief" tonight, which Charles Frohman will bring to this city for the first time at the Soisson Theatre this afternoon and tonight is from the pen of J. M. Bernstein, one of the most important and successful of contemporary playwrights. Mr. Bernstein is already known here for several plays similar to "The Thief" but it is probable that for many years to come he will be known in this country as the author of "The Thief" despite his more recent plays.

"The Thief" is in three acts. It observes all the unities of time, place and incident. The action takes place within 24 hours. First produced at the Renaissance Theatre in Paris in December, 1907, "The Thief" made an immediate sensation. It ran through the entire season with M. Guitry and Mme. de Barry in the chief roles. About the foibles, the ambition, the cunning, the love as deep as human nature and as wide as human frailty of a woman, "The Thief" is a woman's play, but also by side with the great lesson it contains for every wife, it contains rich food for thought

for every husband. It is the most startling human dramatic document put upon the stage in years.

The company which will perform "The Thief" in Connellsville is sufficiently well known not to need detailed introduction. Every performer in "The Thief" is already generally recognized as an actor or actress of great strength of emotion and sure dramatic appeal.

Inexpensive Travel.

To travel at an infinitesimal expense of time and money is the peculiar opportunity and pleasure afforded by Lyman H. Howe's Litterama to be seen at the Soisson Theatre Thursday, December 17. Those who lack the time and means to go abroad, can take the trip with Lyman H. Howe, and this fact explains—very logically—the great crowds that attended his exhibitions for three weeks at the Garrick Theatre, Philadelphia; four weeks at the Lyric Theatre, Cincinnati, O.; five weeks at the Euclid Avenue Opera House, Cleveland, O.; six weeks at the Nixon Theatre, Pittsburgh, and seven weeks at Ford's Grand Opera House, Baltimore, Md.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Winston Winter has gone on the vaudeville stage and made her debut in New York the other day, giving imitations, singing and ventriloquism, and was well received.

Maude Adams will make her first appearance in J. M. Barrie's new play, "What Every Woman Knows" at the Empire Theatre, New York, on Monday, December 21, and will remain there eight weeks.

The shortest speaking part in any play is that of Oenokutche, the Indian in Edgar Selwyn's "Florio of the Plains," played by George Schaefer for an actor of many years of experience. The lines of the part are "Alo Likie."

Anna Held recently produced her new play "Miss Innocence" in Philadelphia, for the first time. It is said to be as sensational and even more risqué than its predecessor, "The Parsifal Model." Miss Held wears some beautiful gowns, mostly skintight and plays a few songs. The chorus, consisting of exceptionally handsome women in scanty costumes, does the rest.

It is reported that David Warfield will at last be given an opportunity to appear in one or more plays more worthy of his great talent than the insignificant plays in which he has appeared heretofore. He will probably play Shillock in "The Merchant of Venice" and later perhaps the part of King Lear in Shakespeare's tragedy of the same name.

Right to the Front.

Manager E. T. Clabough of the Byron and Nickelodeon Theatres has today installed the new Dingo Double-Lung and Disinfecting Cabinets in all

parts of these popular play houses. This gives the theatre the best sanitary conditions possible; allows one to breathe pure air under the most crowded conditions and in a prevention against contagious diseases. Mr. Clabough is to be congratulated on the enterprise he has shown in this as well as other instances. Connellsville people are justly proud of these pieces of amusement.

DAWSON WON TWO FROM NEW HAVEN.

But Boys Across Yough Gave Down River Boys Hard Tussle Last Night.

The County League games last night between New Haven and Dawson on the Dawson alleys were the most exciting in the league for many moons. Dawson won the first game by a 12 pin margin but the second game was a tie at the conclusion of the tenth frame. An extra frame was rolled and Dawson won. New Haven took the third contest but the difference was close. The score follows:

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Porter	144	111	103	358
Latterman	131	101	150	382
Boyle	133	140	125	420
Hunter	179	180	191	550
Henry	151	100	171	422
Totals	700	771	740	2211

	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Collins	173	161	191	525
Robbins	170	142	128	440
Ritchey	152	122	134	408
Muine	108	100	141	349
Harmoning	180	128	122	430
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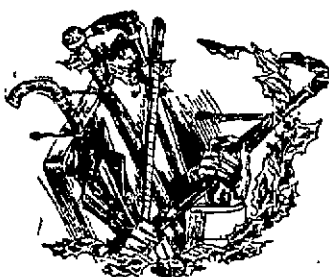
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Down in Toyland

Tin Soldiers Are Marching, Automobiles Whirling By, Teddy Bears at Play and the Perfect Joy of Childhood Everywhere in Evidence.

We're children only once that's the one regret that we must feel when we look into the merry laughing faces of the throng of little folks that fill the aisles of Toyland daily. Big wondering eyes, quick little brains so full of imagination that every toy they see forms a whole story to them. See them about the counters of humming, buzzing mechanical toys. Hear their shouts of admiration as some new wonder is discovered. Everything is real to them. The rosy checked doll is just as truly alive as if it breathed. The horses covered with real hair are prancing, snorting chargers to them. These are some of the reasons why Toyland is so full of human interest why daily hundreds of parents visit it. The important feature, though, is that these little hearts be made happy Christmas morning by the possession of the particular toys of which they dream. Parents know the economy of our prices. They know too that everything we show is absolutely dependable. Children and parents fill Toyland aisles. The children to wonder and exclaim; the parents to see and save.

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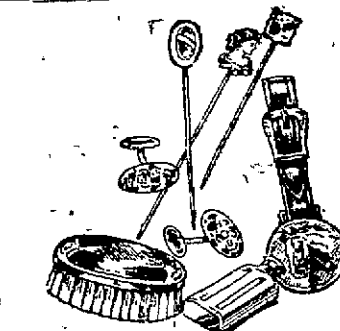
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Here will be found a variety that must include within its scope the one particular comb you have in mind, beautiful in design, yet refined in every line.

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Long gloves, short gloves, fur lined gloves, gloves of every kind are to be found in these complete holiday assortments. We'll put them in a gift box for you without extra charge.



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REGARDING JEWELRY.

Men are confined to the use of very little jewelry, so it is very nature that they are most particular as to its design. In our entire display of the sort of dress requires you'll not miss a single piece that will clash with the most particular taste. You can choose indiscriminately among them without fear of wrong selection, scarf pins, cuff links, fobs, studs, all very modest in price and distinctive in design.

Millinery at Half Price

Every Remaining Hat, Except Black, Goes Into this Sale.

Wright-Metzler millinery at half price has always brought the answer; but, if you remember it was in January in previous years that this announcement came. Judging from past experience then, this sale ought to bring about almost a complete clearance. Every woman hereabouts knows without telling that our millinery represents the BEST in woman's headwear, she knows how truly modes are followed here, she knows the kind of millinery this selling involves and we'll be mightily disappointed if our millinery section is not crowded to its capacity during the next few days.

Women's Dress Hats.
were \$5.00 to \$10.00
Now \$2.50 to \$5.00

Women's Tailored Hats
were \$5.00 to \$14.00
Now \$2.50 to \$7.00

Misses' and Children's Hats
were \$3.50 to \$10.00
Now \$1.25 to \$5.00

A Sale of Lingerie Waists

\$3.00 and \$3.50 Values at

\$1.95

Sixty-five of these; too many large sizes, that's the story quickly told. Beautifully trimmed with lace and embroidery, made from fine quality of lawn and lingerie cloths; short sleeves, open front or back styles. The sizes are 38, 40, 42 and 44. The design and style of the waists are perfectly correct in every way. We simply overbought in large sizes and the penalty we must pay is represented strikingly in the headlines, \$3.00 and \$3.50 waists at \$1.95. These will be found on the second floor; hardly two in the entire collection alike.

Here's Real Holiday News of Great Interest to You

Our Suit Business Has Been Immense--We're Ready to End the Season.

Children's Coats Reduced in Price.

AGES 4 YEARS TO 14 YEARS REGU. LARLY PRICED FROM \$5 TO \$10.

Here's an opportunity of securing a good warm comfortable coat at very little money. If you did not well know our integrity you might be a trifle sceptical regarding this little price; you might sneer at the thought of a \$10 coat at \$1.98. Well, they're here just waiting your coming, we never exaggerate.

\$1.98

Lowered Prices on Children's Headwear

\$1 and \$1.25 VALUES AT 50c

Nothing could be more protective to baby's head than these warm bearskin hoods and caps. Sizes are broken, as are assortments. The penalty paid for big business is odd lots. That's the story here, too incomplete for regular stock; down goes the price to nineteen cents.

50c

Bearskin Hoods and Russian Caps

50c VALUES AT 19c

This group includes many kinds of headwear, all of it worthy as to style and quality, some of them slightly soiled by handling, though in most cases you couldn't find the burl. It's a rare opportunity of securing child's headwear below even its intrinsic worth.

19c



Christmas shoppers will view this announcement with extreme satisfaction. Over a hundred spic-span new suits and coats at prices so radically lowered that every advertised garment should be sold long before Christmas. Remember not a single garment offered but that smacks of newest style and designing. Broadcloth, fancy suitings, velours, etc., handsomely tailored and trimmed and fully representing Wright-Metzler standard of style and quality.

It's our first sale of women's apparel. We've been mighty busy all the season in our garment store. Regular prices were inducements enough to keep us hustling. We've decried now, right in the midst of holiday rush time to turn the minds of many of the shopping public to women's garments as Christmas gifts by radically reducing their prices and keep things humming right up to the end of the year.

WOMEN'S SUITS

Directoire Styles of Newest Designing

\$11.50 Suits at	\$ 8.50	32.50 Suits at	24.00
12.50 Suits at	10.00	35.00 Suits at	26.00
15.00 Suits at	11.50	37.50 Suits at	28.00
18.00 Suits at	13.50	38.00 Suits at	28.75
20.00 Suits at	15.00	45.00 Suits at	33.75
22.50 Suits at	16.75	50.00 Suits at	37.50
25.00 Suits at	18.75	65.00 Suits at	47.25
27.50 Suits at	20.50	75.00 Suits at	58.50
28.50 Suits at	21.00		

WOMEN'S COATS

Fitted, Semi-Fitted and Empire

\$ 7.50 Coats at	\$ 5.50	29.50 Coats at	16.95
10.00 Coats at	7.50	29.50 Coats at	18.95
12.50 Coats at	7.75	29.50 Coats at	20.25
15.00 Coats at	11.25	35.00 Coats at	21.00
18.00 Coats at	12.25	35.00 Coats at	26.50
20.00 Coats at	15.00	37.50 Coats at	28.00